

**CITY OF SALISBURY
ORDINANCE NO. 2187**

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Salisbury to amend
Article XI Definitions of the Property Maintenance Code of the
City of Salisbury to provide a new definition for the term "Rubbish"

WHEREAS, the ongoing application, administration and enforcement of the
Salisbury Municipal Code, demonstrates a need for periodic review, evaluation and
amendment; and

WHEREAS, the current rubbish definition references unusual articles such as coal
and coke which are typically no longer used; and

WHEREAS, this description of rubbish is more consistent with the types of items
that the enforcement officers encounter today; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it enacted and ordained by the City of Salisbury, that
Chapter 15.24 Housing Standards, Article XI Definitions of the Salisbury Municipal
Code be amended as follows:

Article XI Definitions

~~Rubbish. The waste materials commonly referred to as rubbish and garbage, including
trash from normal household living conditions, including waste, foodstuffs of vegetable
or animal origin, paper products, fabrics, plastic and metal containers, bottles, crockery
and other similar materials, and combustible and noncombustible waste materials,
including the residue from the burning of wood, coal, coke and other combustible~~

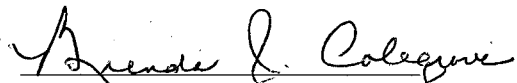
~~materials, paper rags, cartons, boxes, wood excelsior, rubber, leather, tree branches, yard trimmings, tin cans, metals, mineral matters, glass, operable machinery, unregistered marine equipment, including boats and towing trailers (in which the expired which exceeds one year), bottles, waste paper, cardboard, sawdust piles, debris from construction or reconstruction, uprooted tree stumps, street refuse and all other waste materials, provided, however, that as used in this article, "rubbish" shall not be construed or interpreted so as to include any abandoned, unlicensed or inoperable motor vehicle.~~

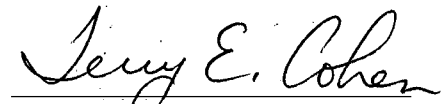
Rubbish may include, but not be limited to: paper, plastic, glass, metal, cardboard, wood, fabrics, cans, loose trash, clothing, fallen trees, tree limbs including stumps and debris, automotive parts, inoperable exercise equipment, trash bags, household waste, combustible and non-combustible materials, abandoned or inoperable machinery, unregistered marine equipment including boats and towing trailers, debris from building construction or reconstruction, and all other waste materials and any other item not included within this definition that is considered by the housing official or his designee to be a blighting influence to the property. "Rubbish" shall not be construed or interpreted to include abandoned, unlicensed or inoperable motor vehicles.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, that the Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage.

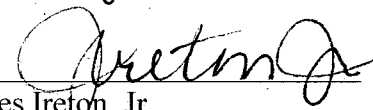
THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and read at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury held on the 9th day of January, 2012 and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the ordinance having been published as required by law, in the meantime, was finally passed by the Council on the 23rd day of January, 2012.

ATTEST:


Brenda J. Colegrove, City Clerk


Terry E. Cohen,
President of the Council of the City of
Salisbury

Approved by me, this 25th
day of January, 2012.


James Ireton, Jr.,
Mayor of the City of Salisbury

Memo

To: John Pick
From: Tom Stevenson
Date: January 4, 2012
Re: Ordinance Amended Rubbish Definition

Attached please find an ordinance that will have the effect of amending the rubbish definition in the property maintenance code. This version provides improvements recommended by the City Council during the January 3, 2012 work session.

The changes include, but are not limited to, changing the requirement from "shall" to "may", removing the one year boat or towing trailer registration requirement and improving the blighting influence language.

Unless you have any questions, please forward this memo to the Mayor & City Council.